

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 200

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dalton Teel as a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, Dalton Teel is one such exemplary person, whose commitment to serving the needs of his community has been recognized by his receipt of the 2015 Governor's Volunteer Stars Award; and

WHEREAS, an outstanding young man, Dalton Teel is the son of Tim and Carol Teel; and

WHEREAS, Dalton is a senior at Lebanon High School (LHS), where he serves as president of the student council, student school board representative, member of the student task force, and orientation leader for incoming freshmen. He also makes the daily announcements, emcees school events, is actively involved in the theater and choir programs, and was named homecoming king and Mr. LHS; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as president of the student council, Dalton led LHS's annual canned food drive that, due to his tireless efforts, resulted in over double the number of canned items donated; and

WHEREAS, he is a producer for his school's television show and editor of the school newspaper, and he represented his school at the American Legion Boys State. He is a member of Future Business Leaders of America, BETA Club, Spanish Club, and Community Service Club; and

WHEREAS, Dalton has taken many advanced placement and honors courses in his high school career, and he has maintained a grade point average above 4.0. He will graduate as a TN Scholar, and he plans to attend the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, to study agriculture communications and political science; and

WHEREAS, Dalton is also very active in Future Farmers of America (FFA), has served as chaplain, reporter, and vice president of his school's organization, and was elected Middle Tennessee Regional FFA vice president. He has volunteered at the Wilson County Fair, the election day polls, Wilson County Farmer's Appreciation Breakfast, and Century Farmer Luncheon, and he was selected to be a part of the FFA National Choir, becoming the first student in Wilson County to receive such an honor; and

WHEREAS, he is an active member of his church, Berea Church of Christ, and has completed two mission trips to El Salvador; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Teel serves as an outstanding example of the quality of the youth of this State; his peers and mentors alike commend his leadership abilities and dedication to his community; and

WHEREAS, Dalton Teel is an exemplary citizen whose commitment to helping others is representative of the very best characteristics of the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize Dalton Teel for his outstanding community leadership, congratulate him for receiving the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.